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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gerhard SEEMANN *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/381,344

Filed: September 20, 1999

For: EXTENSION OF THE EXPRESSION  
OF TRANSGENIC PROTEINS BY  
IMMUNOMODULATION

Group Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: Ram R. Shukla, Ph.D.

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

Applicants hereby reply to Paper No. 7, the Office Communication of June 11, 2001. The period for reply is extended for one month by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith.

**Status of Claims**

Claims 1 and 4-15 are currently pending in this application. Claims 2 and 3 were canceled and claims 1, 4, 9, and 10 were amended in the response filed on April 2, 2001.

**Response to Election of Species Requirement**

In the instant Office Communication of June 11, 2001, the Examiner requires an election of a single species among those listed in claims 7, 14, and 15. Therefore, Applicants provisionally elect osteoarthritis, with traverse.

